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C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 1670

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SUBJ: MINISTER OF LABOR AND MILITARY OFFICERS VISIT  
SOVIET UNION.

REF: LISBON 1469

1. MINISTER OF LABOR COSTA MARTINS RETURNED TO LISBON  
MARCH 21 FOLLOWING HIS VISIT TO SWEDEN MARCH 17-20. ENROUTE  
TO PORTUGAL TO SPEND A DAY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AS A GUEST  
OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT, REPORTEDLY MEETING THERE WITH THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EMPLOYMENT AND THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

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2. ON MARCH 23 THE MINISTER DEPARTED FOR A WEEK'S VISIT TO

MOSCOW. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY DR. BARROS DE MOURA, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY'S LABOR RELATIONS DIVISION; ENGINEER FARIA DA SILVA, DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING; DR. CIDADE ALPIARCA, REPRESENTING THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE; LCDR BACELAR DE BEGONHA (NAVY); CAPTAIN PINTO FERREIRA (ARMY-INFANTRY); LT SILVA GODINHO (AIR FORCE); AND MAJOR FERNANDES GOMES, REPRESENTING THE PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC.

3. LISBON PRESS CARRIES ON MARCH 24 A FRANCE PRESSE REPORT FROM MOSCOW STATING THAT THE MINISTER WILL MEET WITH S. NOVOJLOV, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF LABOR AND SALARIES. THE ARMED FORCES REPRESENTATIVES WILL REPORTEDLY MEET WITH DELEGATES FROM THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF DEFENSE. THIS WILL REPORTEDLY BE THE FIRST CONTACT BY THE PORTUGUESE MILITARY WITH THE SOVIET DEFENSE MINISTRY.

4. COMMENT: COSTA MARTINS REPORTEDLY TOOK THE INITIATIVE IN ACCEPTING STANDING INVITATIONS TO VISIT SWEDEN AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, OBVIOUSLY IN AN ATTEMPT TO BALANCE HIS MORE EXTENSIVE VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION. FURTHER COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANCE OF MILITARY VISIT WILL BE MADE SEPARATELY.  
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